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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 0688

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BDIS, EINV, ENRG, EC

SUBJECT: ADA/OKC INVESTMENT DISPUTE

REFS: (A) STATE 019741; (B) STATE 018281

1. REGARDING A POSSIBLE INVESTMENT DISPUTE BETWEEN NORTHWEST AND THE GOE, OUR PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT IS THAT NORTHWEST HAS PROBABLY VIOLATED ITS APRIL 1975 CONTRACT WITH THE GOE DUE TO ITS DELAYS IN DRILLING, REQUIRED MINIMUM INVESTMENTS, ETC. IF THIS IS CORRECT, THEN NORTHWEST WOULD NOT HAVE AN EXPROPRIATION CLAIM AGAINST THE GOE. (WE ARE POUCHING A COPY OF THE NORTHWEST/GOE CONTRACT FOR THE OPINION OF DEPARTMENT LAWYERS REGARDING NORTHWEST'S POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS.)

2. EMBASSY HAS NO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS TO ASK OKC ATTORNEY KORTH. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN DETAILS OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN OKC AND NORTHWEST, AND VARGAS' POSSIBLE ROLE, BUT KORTH WILL PROBABLY BE RELUCTANT TO DIVULGE THIS INFORMATION.

3. VARGAS PROPOSED TO THE CABINET IN OCTOBER THAT OKC PURCHASE ADA'S INTEREST IN ECUADOR AND ENTER INTO PARTNERSHIP WITH NORTHWEST. EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT OKC PRESIDENT BOX HAS ARRANGED WITH MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES VARGAS TO GET A PIECE OF NORTHWEST'S OPERATION
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IN THE GULF OF GUAYAQUIL.
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